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Enforcement of Interconnection Agreement between Bell South 34-00133 RE:

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Telecommunications, Inc. & NuVox Communications, Inc.

Dear Mr. Collier:

I have been retained to represent NuVox Communications, Inc. in the above-referenced matter. Since you or your designee have been appointed hearing officer, I am writing this letter to you.

Due to my absence from the office until June 10, 2004, I am requesting that the time for filing an answer be extended until Friday, June 11, 2004. This is only a few days extension and will not delay the orderly proceeding of justice nor interfere with the expedited request of Bellsouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Sincerely,

H. LaDon Baltimore

HLD/chm

Cc: Guy Hicks

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this the Uth day of May, 2004, a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been forwarded via first class U.S. Mail, hand delivery, or overnight delivery to the following.

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